

Developmental Disabilities Council
Policy & Law Committee minutes
September 28, 2018
Friendly's, Middletown, De.
9:30am – 11:30 am

Members present: Rick Kosmalski, Terri Hancharick, Bill Powell, Daniese McMullin-Powell, Maitri Campbell

Members absent: Nancy Lemus

Staff Present: Stefanie Lancaster, Kristin Harvey, Sherine White (DDC Intern)

The agenda and minutes were unanimously approved by all members present.

I. Position Statements

1. Discussion of Future Statement

a. Personal Care Attendants Reimbursement – Terri Hancharick stated she would reach out to Nicole Poore. Daniese McMullin-Powell stated that she would reach out to Rep. Townsend to see if the Council can get their support with amending the current bill recently enacted to raise the wages for Personal Care Attendants to include those individuals integrated into the community and their supports. It was also recommended to engage Dava Newnam and the State Council for Persons with Disabilities into this discussion.

II. Strategic Planning – Review P&L Work to Plan

1. Review of Plan – New Suggested Changes – Please see the separate spreadsheets created detailing the specifics of each objective relating to the Policy & Law Committee's objectives.

III. Legislative Update – The State Council for Persons with Disabilities has taken the lead this year with regards to the Legislative Planning Committee meetings and developing this year's Legislative Agenda. If any member is currently not on that committee and would like to share ideas with the committee to be included in the discussions, please send your information to John McNeal or Dee Rivard with the State Council for Persons with Disabilities.

IV. Review of Position statements – Due to time constraints, this item will be discussed at a future date.

- 1. Assisted Suicide**
- 2. Medication Lists in Facilities**
- 3. Housing**
- 4. Sub Minimum Wage**
- 5. Sexual Assault**

V. DDC Intern possible tasks – Due to time constraints, this will be discussed at a future date.

VI. Other Business From the Group – A copy of the final report provided from the last Train the Trainer event was provided to all members present to review statistics from that session to help plan for another similar training event.

VII. Next Meeting Date – The next meeting date will be held on Friday, October 19th from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Friendly's Restaurant in Middletown, DE.

VIII. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 11:54 a.m.